A DETECTIVE IN PERIL.

HIS LIFE SAVED BY THE POOR MARKS-

MANSHIP OF HIS ASSAILANTS.

A FIGHT AMONG TRAMPS, IN WHICH TWO MEN

ARE SHOT-THE SHOOTER ARRESTED AND

RESCUED BY HIS COMPANIONS, WHO

ARE THOUGHT TO HAVE

AFTERWARD KILLED

Trenton, March 15 (Special).-City Detective Apple-

gate had an encounter with a gang of five despera-does about two miles outside the city limits last

evening, in which one man was shot and the office

manship of the crowd

only escaped with his life because of the bad marks-

Just before the arrival of the officer the gang had

be taken to St. Francis's Hospital, while one was

heaten about the head and body so frightfully that

in what was supposed to be a dying condition. After shooting at the officer a half dozen times and

rescuing his prisoner, the gang kept him at bay

with their revolvers and managed to escape, taking

the wounded man with them. The officer shot on

taken to St. Francis's Hospital, left after having

their wounds dressed, and to-day the police ar

scouring the country in the belief that some of the

gang are in hiding.

This afternoon a clot of blood and a bunch of

human hair was found in the snow on the cans

bank, about a mile from the scene of the shooting,

and there was evidence leading the officers to believe

that a body had been dragged along the towpath.

They fear that a murder has been committed, and think it possible that if this be true the body of the

victim was thrown into the canal. No citizen is

has been done, the victim must be one of the gang that attacked Detective Applegate last evening, for

they have proof that the gang took to the tow path after their attempt to kill the officer.

Yesterday evening the police were informed by

citizen that a gang of tramps or thieves was ter

rorizing the workingmen at Coal Port, on the Penn-

sylvania Railroad, about two miles outside th

and were flourishing and firing their revolvers. Justice Mills was also told that a gang of desper-

adoes, camping near Coal Port, had gotten into a quarrel, in which one of them had shot two of his

ompanions and the remainder of the gang had

The Justice endeavored to collect a posse

beaten him so badly that he was supposed to

of constables, but, failing in this, he told Detective

The officer found the Justice's story true, excep

that the man beaten by his companions for shooting the other two was not quite so badly hurt and

was covering the gang with his revolver. He ar-

rested the supposed murderer, who is known

which he had halled, when suddenly "Curley"

volvers. One thrust his revolver to the detective

companions sneaked up behind him with drawn re-

face, as he turned and demanded the prisoner's

"I quickly brought my club down on his arm as

the revolver went off," said the detective to-night

pistol, blazed away at the man who fired at me,

direction. The gang then took to their heels, and

when I turned around to get my prisoner again I

found him with a ready cocked revolver pointed at

cartridges were all gone by this time, and three of

he men carried their loaded weapons in their

hands, while they started off over the fields. I

was alone, and knew it would be folly to chas-

When the officer returned to the city he learn

IN HONOR OF IRELAND'S SAINT.

SEVERAL PARADES AND MANY ENTERTAIN

MENTS WILL MAKE THE DAY A

NOTEWORTY ONE.

The Hudson County divisions of the Ancient Or der of Hibernians will hold their principal St. Pat-rick's Day parade in Bayonne on Tuesday after-noon. The procession will form at Avenue D and West Nineteenth-st. and will march to West Four-

west Nineteenth-st and will march to the tenth-st, to Avenue C, to West Firth-st, to Avenue D, to Cottage-st, to East Fifth-st, to West Fifth-st, to Avenue D, to East Twenty-first-st, to Avenue I, to East

Twenty-second-st., to Avenue D, to East Twenty-eighth-st., to Avenue E, to the Bayonne City Hall.

eighth-st., to Avenue E, to the Hayonne City Hall, to East Thirtieth-st., to Avenue D, to West Sixteenth-st. where the parade will be dismissed. During the forenoon the Jersey City and Hoboken organizations will parade in Jersey City. They will form in Barrow-st. and will march over the following route: Through Barrow-st. to Grand-st., to Washington St. (1998)

Washington-st., to Montgomery-st., to Newark-ave., to the City Hall, to Henderson-st., to Pavonla-ave.,

they will board special trolley-cars for Bayonne. The Jersey City parade will be reviewed at the City Hail by Mayor Wanser and other city officials, while the Bayonne procession will be reviewed at

to Hamilton Place, to Ninth-st., to Coles-st.,

Varick-st., to Grand-st., to Bramhall-ave ...

He started to run towards his com

My second and last shot must have struck him in the hip, for he staggered somewhat,

me. He fired, but fortunately missed, and then

panions, but stopped long enough to shoot at

"I then let go of my prisoner and, drawing

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reported missing, and the police say that if

man in the hip in the melee. The two men

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shooting at each other, and two men had to



The Legislature ought to make a strong effort e get through this week.

Here are the most important questions await-

og settlement: Amendments to the Constitution.

The creation of a commission on equal taxa-Revision of the borough laws. Abolition of grade crossings.

That Harvey bill, providing for track elevation, does not appear to meet with much approval from the general public. It would be etter, perhaps, to refer the whole subject to a emmission to be appointed by the Governor or samed in the bill creating it.

The committees should report forthwith all the bills in their possession, so that the legishors may pass upon them one way or the

If the lawyers cannot agree upon any of the pending propositions for revising the judiciary, the Legislature might better do what should have been done in the first place-go ahead and adopt such amendments as seem suited to the needs of a modern State, regardless of traditions and

The trolley interests behind House bill No. 251, which takes from citizens and local governing bodies all control over the county roads, may provoke retaliation if they persist in pushing that obnoxious measure. Generous privileges granted in other years can be withdrawn by the Legislature if it sees fit.

Learned authorities who solemnly assert that Governor Griggs is violating the Constitution in appointing lawyers to succeed laymen on the Court of Errors and Appeals are referred to paragraph 1, section 2. Article VI of the Constitution, which reads thus:

"The Court of Errors and Appeals shall consist of the Chancellor, the Justices of the Supreme Court and six judges, or a majority part of them; which judges are to be appointed for six years." There is nothing about "lay" judges.

E. F. C. Young's retirement from the chairmanship of the Democratic State Committee is just what might be expected from that busy and astute gentleman. He cannot afford to lose valnable time in managing a campaign destined to provoke more kicks than laurel wreaths. Why not put Rufus Blodgett at the head of the committee? He could enthuse the party by circulating copies of the numerous eloquent speeches he delivered in the United States Senate.

toral vote will be cast for the Republican Presidential ticket named this year, the following summary of the State's vote in the last thirtysix years may be interesting:

1861-Lincoln, 4; Douglas, 3

1865-McClellan, '.. 1869-Seymour, 7.

1877-Tilden, 9.

1881-Hancock, 9 1885-Cleveland, 9.

1889-Cleveland, 9 1893-Cleveland, 10.

The "same old gang" have agreed to let James M. Seymour once more get the Democratic nomination for Mayor of Newark. On the day after election his feelings and theirs may be wholly at

There has been a good deal of doubt as to the exact position of Assemblyman Fleming's track elevation bill. Its promoters argue that the measure should now be engrossed and put upon third reading. Speaker Derousse is understood, however, to take the position that the bill is now on second reading, and he is said to be sustained by parliamentary authorities who have examined

The Deficiency Appropriation bill contains an item of \$1,100 for mileage for judges of the Court of Pardons. If the gentlemen concerned do not deem inquiry impertinent or insulting, perhaps

In his speech to the House Committee on Municipal Corporations on Assemblyman Roll's bill robbing local authorities of their control over the public highways, the counsel to the Essex County Board of Freeholders made an ingenious plea by way of showing that that Board should have exclusive control of the county roads. He recited the cost of constructing the thoroughfares, and contended that the body charged with making and maintaining them should have all to say about granting trolley franchises on them The Board has now repudiated the contention and arguments of its counsel by voting, 22 to 4, against the bill. Freeholder Heilman voiced the sentiments of his colleagues when he said that "the Legislature abould not be permitted to interfere with the home rule principle, and that everything should be done to combat that tend-

Last Thursday night a couple of Paterson citi-Bens met to discuss the municipal misgovernment and to interchange ideas as to the best means of bringing about an improvement. The "Paterson Call" gives the following report of a speech made by a former Mayor of the city:

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Hon. Nathan Barnert said he did not expect to be called upon, and he could only coincide with the preceding speaker. He had been ten years in the City Hall, and saw more than he had ever wished to see. He had had to associate with men he did not want to associate with. He approved the suggestion to elect Aldermen at large, and told of some of his experiences in trying to bring political criminals to justice. One of these was when an Alderman in danger of being indicted went to a Grand Juror and begged on his kneet that the Grand Juror should not indict him. He was not indicted, and in a few days after this was settled the question of using naphtha lamps came up, and this self-same Alderman was offering \$250 for votes on the Board. The speaker said he was powerless at the time, as he had no one to assist or support him. He stood alone for good government then.

That story is not complete without the names.

That story is not complete without the names. Perhaps ex-Mayor Barnert could be induced to reveal them before an investigating commission appointed by Supreme Court Justice Dixon.

STILL SEEKING A FRANCHISE.

THE NORTH JERSEY COMPANY MEETS THE

BLOOMFIELD OFFICIALS HALFWAY. mfield, March 15 (Special).-To-morrow night the Township Committee will take up the applica-tion of the North Jersey Street Railway Company for a franchise to operate a trolley-line in Bloom-field-ave., from Liberty-st. to the Glen Ridge bor-

ough line.

This franchise could have been obtained weeks ago had the Consolidated Company granted to the people the same transfer privileges that are accorded other towns. The refusal of the Consolidated to comply with the demands has prevented the North Jersey Company from completing its road within the limits of this town, and in con-sequence passengers going from Glen Ridge to Newark are obliged to walk 200 feet to the Conidated Company's line, causing great incon-

The Consolidated Company has said that it would not grant transfers because such privileges were a loss to the company, as they allow dishonest employes to make false returns. The company has said agreed to give Bloomfield people a transfer time any part of Newark to Bloomfield for five time. Passengers going from Bloomfield to Newalt who desire a transfer will have to pay two talks additional.

A SERMON ON THE ATTRIBUTES OF THE SUCCESSFUL PREACHER.

ELOQUENCE AND TALENT ALONE CANNOT SAVE SOULS-THE BIBLE THE MINISTER'S WEAPON

ACTERISTIC OF PULPIT SPEAKERS. his fourth year of a third term as pastor of the Central Methodist Episcopal Church in Newark. addressed his people yesterday on "The Christian His text was II Corinthians, iv, 7 We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of

He said in part:

excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us." He said in part:

Who is the man we call our minister? By what right does he claim a hearing? Who calls him and stands behind him? Let us discriminate, that "the excellency of the power may be of God." The true minister comes to the pulpit under divine authority. He comes often against inclination and choice, at much personal sacrifice, because no alternative is left him, since God has called him to preach. "No man taketh this honor unto himself." Aaron did not. Samuel did not. The Apostles did not. And our true credentials come not from Pope nor President, from Bishop nor moderator, but from the lips of a risen Redeemer and the voice of the Holy Ghost. Every true minister is sent of God. His credentials bear the goiden seal of the Trinity, and are signed by Him who bled upon the Cross.

Such a man goes not forth alone. The divine call is supplemented by the Divine Presence. His power is not cloquence merely. Men are moved by eloquence, but they are saved by powers that are invisible. An electric battery in contact with a dead body will make it move and stare, but this is not real life. The preacher is in touch with a divine power by which dead men live. Argument is power, and truth without logical form is patitude. But a man is not changed because ne is cornered. Your child may be conquered and not subdued. The chief power of the preacher is not in the strength of his mind nor in the cloquence of his speech, but in the fact that God is with him. Then he becomes resistless, as Stephen on the day of Pentecost, and the foolishness of preaching becomes the power of God unto salvation.

The minister comes to his work equipped with a divine weapon, quick and powerful, sarper than any two-edged sword. While the Bible is God's gft to every man, the Christian minister is its the bread of life he is to offer Him to this famishing world.

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This book will never become obsolete. There is no such book to get one's sermons from. These are the thoughts of the Almighty. This is the weapon God has chosen to subdue the universe. Although old and tried it has not lost its edge. If we think it has lost the keenness of its edge, probably we have lost the firmness of our grip. In magnifying the gifts of heaven I must not minify the gifts of nature. In the eminent minister both are cojoined. The day is past when a smooth face, a white tie and a ciercial coat can meet the demands of the pew. Talent will put a man where Providence without its ald never could. The day has come when the clamor is for men with heads as well as hearts, so that men will be slow to say that they are called of God to preach unless they are bounding up with great thoughts as well as great convictions. We are bound to believe that when God calls a man to preach, then he can préach. The baptism of the Holy Ghost is higher than the gift of tongues, but, as in the time of the Aposties, the demand now is that the gift of speech shall be cotemporaneous with the baptism.

The pulipit is the preacher's throne of power, the fulerum about which all else moves. The printing press, and especially the daily newspaper, is a great competitor of the pulpit, and he who would keep the pews occupied must keep his own mind filled with ideas, and always be prepared to preach. He must cultivate voice and manner and gain a hearing. He must, however, remember that the pulpit is not a stage, and that it differs from the rostrum and the bar. He is not a news-monger, or simply a dispenser of intelligence, but of religion. He is not in the pulpit merely to entertain men, but to make them better. He has a lofty and unparalleled aim, an opportunity an angel might covet and beseech them to be reconciled to God.

Is not this "a high callings"? In such an office we need not only the touch of genus, but the excellency of God's power. It is said that the min

The Christian minister may exploit to thought, provided the gold, the frankineense and the myrrh are brought as glits to his Redeemer. One can preach about the Gospel and not preach the Gospel. One can make rhythmic sentences and sermons that are literary models, chaste as statuary, but quite as lifeless and cold. The Christ to preach is the Christ beyond the experience he has of Him, preach Christ beyond the experience he has of Him, and the more profoundly he knows Him the better he can preach Him. The best disciple makes the best apostle, and he who comes closes to the heart of God will come nearest to the hearts of men. If there is abnormal preaching in the pulpit, the remedy is in the pew. Those who hear largely determine what shall be popular preaching. Sermons should be praised most that hold the Cross the highest, and preachers should have the largest following who are most skilful in treading in the footsteps of the Master and in the use of the dialect of the Gospel.

It is said that the preaching of to-day does not draw men, as formerly, to the Church. Possibly it does not because it fails to interest and help them. Practical preaching is generally popular preaching. We must not only show Christ to you, but show you to yourselves. Christ dilineated character. He knew what was in men, and He told them plainly what He knew. The woman at the well soon saw that He knew all she had done. The rich young man went out weeping when he beheld his life as the Master pictured it. Paul, by a few skilful in ouches, made Felix tremble. When John the Baptist preached they left everything to hear him, because he was talking about them.

Preaching will never become obsolete. As long as men live on earth they will go to hear preachers preach. Real preaching includes two things—truth and personality a variable quantity, therefore the truth preached is colored by the personality of the preacher. The truth may be old and familiar, but there is a living, magnetic, unique personality of the preacher. The truth may be old and

END OF THE WHIST CONGRESS.

THE PARK CLUB, OF PLAINFIELD, WINS THE CHAMPIONSHIP CUP.

The contests of the New-Jersey Whist Association closed Saturday night at the Jersey City Club. The championship cup was again won by the Park Club, of Piainfield. Its team defeated in the final game the team of the New-Jersey Athletic Club. The cup was put up at the first congress last year

The cup was put up at the first congress last year and was won by the Park Club. It will become the property of the club when won at three congresses, or when won ten times in competitions, as the holder is subject to challenges.

In the contests for progressive fours, another team of the Park Club tied with the team of the Elizabeth Chess and Whist Club, each winning eight games. The honors were awarded the Elizabeth team, as they had taken 287 tricks to 286.

THIS BEGGAR HAD MONEY.

AFTER LIVING ON CHARITY FOR YEARS HER DEATH SHOWS HER TO HAVE BEEN A MISER.

Trenton, March 15 (Special).-Jane Gorman, a wellknown character, who lived in a rickety old shanty in Decatur-st., died in the house of a poor neighbor yesterday. The woman has long been living on the charity of her neighbors, and was only taken in because it was feared she would freeze to death in

the old shanty.

When the body was being prepared for burial a When the body was being prepared for burial a cloth bag was found suspended from her neck, and in it were six crisp \$100 bank notes. In the pocket of an old frock was found \$70 more, and in an old trunk two deeds for city property were discovered. Undertaker Crawford has made application at the Surrogate's office to be appointed administrator of the dead woman's estate.

A communication has been sent to a nicce in Dea Moines, Iowa, whose address was found on an old, letter discovered in the house of the dead woman. In the letter mention was made of another nicce living in Philadelphia. The old woman had no other known relatives, and it is thought that these may be dead, as the letter bears a date several years, old.

A RUN OVER HARD GROUND.

COLD WEATHER NO OBSTACLE TO THE OCEAN COUNTY HUNT CLUB.

od, March 15 (Special).-The frozen ground was no barrier yesterday to the scheduled run of was no barrier yesterday to the scheduled run of the Ocean County Hounds, a jarge field of riders following the pack for about twelve miles over well-timbered country. The meet was at McBean's Nurseries, about three miles from Lakewood, on the Toms River Road. From there the pack jogged along until the Hewitt farm was reached and cover drawn.

The pack got away in a bunch and headed for leasant Plains. After describing a circle, the

Pleasant Plains. After describing a circle, the hounds then dashed toward Sliverton, where the kill occurred.

After an absence of some weeks, George Gould made his reappearance in the hunting field, riding superbly on The Turk. His companions were Dr. C. L. Lindley, on Shamrock; J. J. Dwyer, on Theoremsery Boy; W. D. Grand, on The Count; Master Gordon Grand, on Lightfoot; L. Trowbridge Martin, on Lord Lyon; Mrs. E. Robbins Walker, on Echo. J. W. Colt, on Torchlight; E. M. Lockwood, on Blazesway; W. R. H. Martin, on Glendale; James Converse. on Atlantic: Miss Cooper, on

THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY. Lightstep; Miss B. B. Whiting, on Blue Bonnet,

NOT SO BLACK AS PAINTED.

A CAMDEN OFFICIAL SAYS THE CITY HAS REEN MISREPRESENTED.

IT HAS NOT AN INORDINATE NUMBER OF SALOONS-THE HIGH LICENSE RATE RE-DUCES TAXATION AND CRIMES RE-SULTING FROM DRINK

ARE RARE.

Camden, N. J., March 15 (Special) .- "Camden was grossly misrepresented by the committees who went to Trenton to urge the passage of the Rogers cense-Signing bill." said a member of the City Ex-cise Commission yesterday. "The statement that Camden is completely over-ridden with saloons is not o formidable when the facts are considered. Camden is the fourth largest city in the State, it is far below the other centres of population in the ra-tio of drinking resorts to the number of inhabitants. and its \$500 license fee is the largest in the State. It seems to be the natural trend for New-Jersey towns lying between the two great centres of popuation-New-York and Philadelphia-to get much the vice which reform waves have crowded out of these huge hives. Thus the working of the High License law of Pennsylvania and the strict enforcement of the Sunday laws drove great masses of pe ple to seek recreation on New-Jersey soil.

Parks sprang up in the suburbs of Camden Gloucester City opened wide its doors in warm welcome, and the rabble came in droves across the Delaware to find the alluring glass. While other places amenable to the same rigorous laws as Ca winked at the invasion and permitted the inflow Camden shut down upon and kept back the tide. It s a fact that while other cities of the State grew lax in the enforcement of the laws, Camden drew the line tighter and tighter, and it is to-day subject to less of the annoyances and criminality from the irink habit than perhaps any city of its size in the country.

STATISTICS OF SALOONS AND REVENUES. "A few plain figures, which anybody can readily

understand, will serve to show how much better off 'amden is than her sister cities of the State. New ark has a population of 215,806, the largest in New-Jersey. Of course, it is expected that it might have the largest number of drinking-saloons, and it has. With its 1,300 licensed resorts, it gives one to every 167 of population. The license fee is \$250, the lowest dlowed by the law, and it collects \$325,000 from 11censes each year, or \$1 52 per capita. The next argest city is Jersey City, with 182,713 inhabitants, which supports 284 saloons, or one to every 186 of apita. Paterson, with a population of 97,344, has 470 licensed drinking-places, or one to every 207 inhabitants. With a \$250 fee, it collects \$117,500, only \$1.28 per capita. Trenton, with 62,578 inhabitants, ilcenses 330 saloons, or one to every 199 residents, and sollects \$82,500, or \$1.36 per capita.

Compare these cities with Camden, and see how nuch better off the latter is in this respect. Camden has a population of 63,467, yet it licenses only 78 saloons, or one to 357 of population, at a fee of \$500, double that of any of the others. From these t collected last year \$89,000, of \$1 00 per capita, the nighest proportion of any of the cities.

Even the smaller cities show even more favorable results for Camden by comparison. The city of Elizabeth has a population of 43,834, yet it licenses 199 salcons, or one to every 229 population. It gets a fee of \$250, and collects \$49,752, which is only \$1.17 per capita. The city of Hoboken has a population of one to every 114 of population. On a fee of \$250 it receives \$87,550, which is equivalent to the payment by every man, woman and child in the city of \$2.50 per annum for liquor. Take the smaller city of Passaic, in Passaic County, with a population of only 17.50, licensing \$6 saloons, or one to every \$71 of population, and collecting only 25 cents per capita, a total of \$16,500. 4,083, yet it supports 250 licensed drinking-houses,

BENEFITS OF THE HIGH LICENSE SYSTEM. "So it is seen that Camden has not only the largest cense fee, but it has the smallest number of saloons in proportion to its population. That the law is more strictly enforced here than in any of the other places is known from one end of the State to the other, and can be easily proven by statistics from the police annals. The experience of the smaller ities of Bridgeton, Miliville and the borough of Vineland is that the absolute prohibition of licensed frinking-places is costly to the municipal governnumerable 'speak-easies' and so-called clubs, where liquor is sold and from which not a dollar is derived for the support of the city. Every dollar collected from the saloons of Camden goes to the city treasury and is merged with the receipts from other sources to be calculated in the annual budget for improvements, and it serves largely to keep the tax rate down. Shut all the saloons in the censes at an, and the tax rate would have to be in-creased to meet the deficiency of nearly \$50,000. Nor would the sale of liquor be thus stopped. There would spring up, just as there arose in Philadelphia and flourish in Miliville and Bridgeton, nest of un-licensed resorts, which pay nothing and which defy-the police." at all and the tax rate would have to be in

## IT WAS CONFERENCE SUNDAY.

SERVICES IN ALL THE CHURCHES IN HONOR

OF THE GATHERING OF MINISTERS. Bridgeton, March 15 (Special).-The pulpits of all the local Protestant churches except one were occupied, both morning and evening, by ministers at-tending the Methodist conference now in session

The most important services were held at the Central, Commerce and Trinity Methodist Epis-copal churches. At the Central Church services began at 9 o'clock with a conference and love feast, led by the Rev. B. C. Lippincott; at 10:30 Bishop Joyce preached, and the sermon was followed by the ordination of deacons. At 3 o'clock the anni-versary of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society took place, Mrs. Kennard Chandler being the

To-night a revival service was conducted by the while the Bayonne procession will be reviewed at the Bayonne City Hall by Mayor Egbert Seymour, the Board of Councilmen and other city officials.

James Cleary, of Jersey City, county delegate to the National Convention, will act as grand marshal. His chief alds will be William Barry and Michael Murray. In the parade will be Company A. Hibernian Riffes, of Jersey City; Company B. Hibernian Riffes, of Bayonne, and divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

In the evening Monsignor Bernard O'Reilly, the well-known writer and lecturer, will deliver an interesting discourse entitled "St. Patrick and His People." An entertainment and lecture will also be given in the evening in St. Laicy's Roman Catholic Church, at Jersey City, Father John Condon, S. J., of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, will talk about "St. Patrick." There will also be a programme of vocal and instrumental music. Rev. W. A. Spencer, At Commerce Street Church, the ordination of elders, with praise and consecration service, took place at 3 o'clock, and this evening revival services were held. At Trinity

evening revival services were held. At Trinity Church the Rev. Thomas Hanlon preached in the morning, and this evening the anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society took place.

There is so much business to be transacted that the conference will be unable to adjourn before Tuesday, when the appointments will be announced. These are siways the most important matters to the ministers, and while nothing definite is known, it is ramored that several ministers, who have heretofore preached to high salaries, will be given smaller charges and salaries. Bishop Joyce, however, has been working hard all the week with the presiding elders in regard to this matter, and is doing his utmost to make the assignments as harmonious as possible.

The next conference will be held at the Central is doing his harmonious as possible.

The next conference will be held at the Central Church, Trenton.

A NEW CHAREL DEDICATED.

IT IS THE GIFT OF A BLOOMFIELD CONGREGA-

Bloomfield, March 15 (Special).—The new Mont-gomery Chapel in the Soho district, which was sected by the Westminster Presbyterian Church, of this city, was dedicated this afternoon in the pres-

ence of a large congregation.

The Rev. Wilson Phraner preached the dedicatory sermon, and the Rev. George A. Pauli made a short address. In the evening another service was held, at which addresses were made by Hugh A. Donat which addresses which are the control of the con

A NEW RAILROAD FOR LONG BRANCH. Long Branch, March 15 (Special).-The Board of Aldermen received an application last night from the Atlantic Highlands. Red Bank and Long Branch

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Railway Company for permission to cross the
leading thoroughfares of the city.
The route selected is objectionable to many business men and summer residents.
A public hearing on the application will be held
in the Town Hail on Monday evening, March 30.
The proposed route crosses Broadway at Fifthave. It also crosses Bath and Chelsea aves.

IMPROVING SOUTHERN NEW-JERSEY.

Cape May, March 15 .- The coast resorts in this section will be greatly improved by work in progress or about to be commenced. Contracts have already been given out for the extension of the South Jersey Railroad to Ocean City and for building overhead crossings on that line at Cape May Court House and Woodbine. Public improvements are also to be made at Ocean City, Sea Isie City, Avalon, Wildwood, Holly Beach and South Cape May.

The council elected last Tuesday was authorized to go ahead with the planned improvements, and it is expected that no time will be lost in getting to work. The improvements will cost over \$100,000.

Morristown, March 15 (Special).—The house and grocery store of Thomas Smith, in Greenville, was burned to the ground early this morning.

The grocery store was in a wing of the house, and the fire started there. The inmates were awakened by the smoke and hurriedly dressed themselves. At by the smoke and hurriedly dressed themselves. At first it was supposed that all got out in safety, but when they got outside. Smith's mother, who is eighty-six years old, discovered that her son was not with them. She rushed back into the house and up to his room, where she found him overcome with the smoke. She managed to arouse him and he got out in safety.

It was thought at one time that the schoolhouse would be burned, but the bucket brigade confined the flames to the Smith house. The store and house, together with their contents, were destroyed. The loss is about \$1,000; insured for \$1,200.

AN OLD WOMAN'S HEROIC ACT.

SHE RESCUES HER SON FROM A BURNING HOUSE

THE DOG CAME BACK.

LIKE THE CAT IN THE SONG, HE WAS HARD TO KILL

A Newfoundland dog owned by P. J. Barry, of Thirteenth and Clinton sts., Hoboken, manifested symptoms of rables on Thursday last by snapping Symptoms of rables on Thursday last by snapping at several children who were playing in the street. Word was sent to the Second Precinct police station, and Janitor George Diersing was assigned to the pleasant duty of dispatching the canine. According to the report which Diersing subsequently made he caught the dog and put three bullets in its brain. The janitor was positive that he left the animal lying on the ground dead as a doornall. Barry was surprised yesterday when the Newfoundland returned, apparently in fair health. He lost no time in notifying the police, and Diersing was instructed to do his work over again. He was so indignant at the canine for refusing to die with three bullets in his head that he shot him six times. He watched the failen beast several minutes after life had fied to see whether or not consciousness would return, and finally concluded that the dog's days were over.

MINORITY JUDICIARY REPORT

BERGEN'S ABLE ARGUMENT AGAINST AN INDEPENDENT. COURT OF APPEALS.

THE JUDGES. HE SAYS, NOT BEING ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE ORIGINAL TRIAL OF CASES, WOULD LOSE TOUCH WITH THE TIMES AND THE PEOPLE, AND BE-COME MERE THEORISTS.

Trenton, March 15 (Special).-Frank Bergen's minority report on the proposed constitutional amendments reforming New-Jersey's judicial system centains a thoughtful discussion of the

Talking about the courts as they now stand, Mr. Bergen says that some of them are "parts of the original civil institutions of New-Jersey when a olony; others were established shortly after the Revolution, and none within recent years except

"Efforts have been made within recent years," Mr. Bergen continues, "both by legislation and constitutional amendment, to reorganize our judicia system, or at least to eliminate some of its defects, but, as yet, without material success. Recently the general dissatisfaction with the condition of our courts has found expression in a demand for an independent Court of Errors and Appeals It is assumed that this single change will eradicate grave defects of an antiquated system. proposition at a glance seems plausible, but I am convinced that reflection will show that it is un-

"It is proposed to create a court of last resort, consisting of five judges, who shall sit in no other court, and shall see and hear nothing of litigation. except printed books and briefs and arguments on propositions, which to them would be entirely abstract. No man in such a position ever became or remained a great judge. The great judges of England and America were those who throughout their career sat in trial courts, hearing witnesses testify charging juries, and taking an active part in actual business transactions, thereby acquiring and retaining the faculty of applying the principles of law a practical manner to living issues. A judge, in order to administer justice wisely, must not only possess the learning of the books, but must be saturated with the common-sense of the community in which he holds court. I do not mean by this that he should decide cases according to the current notions of the hour, but in accord with commo sense, as defined by Everett, viz.: "The final judgment on great practical questions to which the mind of the community is pretty sure, eventually,

JUDGES SHOULD NOT BE ISOLATED.

"A judge cannot apprehend or appreciate this ommon-sense who is separated from citizens by the Constitution, forced to sit apart in an isolated tribunal and get his knowledge of the way men feel and think from printed books alone. A court such as it is proposed to establish would no doubt write logical opinions, make fine distinctions, cite numerous precedents, discover many technical errors, and be a source of intolerable annoyance to practical men. To those who think that extrastatute or case law is an exact science of pure ethics, such a court would seem a desirable institution; but those who agree with the statement of Judge Holmes, in his acute analysis of the common law, that 'the substance of law at any given time nearly corresponds, as far as it goes, with what is then understood to be convenient, will understand the necessity of allowing, and even requiring, the minds of judges to be parts of the common mind of the community in which they sit." The report continues:

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The three greatest judicial establishments in the countries where the English language is spoken and the English systems of jurisprudence administered are: (1) The courts of England, as established under the judicature act, passed by Parilament in 1873, and its supplements! (2) the federal judicial system of this country, and (3) the courts of Massachusetts. In the laws under which each of these systems was established careful provision was made requiring judges who sit in the appeliate courts to take part in the actual trial of causes in the first instance. Each of the five departments of the division of original jurisdiction of the English Supreme Court is presided over by a judge of the appeliate division.

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When the officer returned to the city he learned that the two men who had been shot in the leg by "Curley" had only remained at St. Francis's Hospital long enough to have their wounds dressed when they limped off. The men were all well armed and heavily and comfortably clad. The detectives have learned that they got into the quarrel among themselves over the division of a lot of jewelry and other plunder. They have also learned that the men came here from upper Pennsylvania and the police say that a series of daring robberies have been committed in the small towns along this route.

The theory of the detectives is that, after rescuing "Curley" from arrest, the gang was joined by the two men whom he had shot, and that they, out of revenge, murdered "Curley" and threw his body into the canal. Owing to the frozen condition of the canal the Coroner is unable to drag for the body. The members of the Supreme Court of the United have always been assigned to circuits and have presided over actual trials, and a disposition to omit this part of their duties was censured by an to omit this part of their duties was censured by an act of Congress passed in 1869, as follows: "It shall be the duty of the chief justice and of each associate justice of the Supreme Court to attend at least one term of the Circuit Court in each district of the circuit to which he is aliotted, during every period of two years." The decisions made at the circuits are subject to review by the Federal Supremé Court, and the fact that the judge who sits at the circuit is a member of the Supreme Court has never been regarded as an objection to the federal system.

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In Massachusetts members of the court of last resort were required to preside at the trial of cases both at law and in equity, subject to review by the court sitting in bank. Of course the judge whose decision is under review does not sit at the hearing of the appeal in that case. Such is not the practice in courts so constituted.

It is true that in recent years judges who sit in courts of last resort have exhibited a disinclination to take part in the actual trial of causes in the first instance. They prefer to sludy cases in the first instance. They prefer to sludy cases in the first instance allowing cases of the utmost importance to be handed down to inferior courts for trial, while judges of the higher courts are studying at chambers. This is said to be necessar; because of the increase of legal business, but I think it is certain that as the practice has increased the reputation of the higher courts has declined. This is manifestly so in Massachusetts, and since the same inclination has been followed by the judges of the higher courts of this State, the fame of Jersey justice has steadily faded. The plan proposed by my associates would no doubt agaravate this evil.

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In answer to this line of argument it is some times said that independent courts of las exist in other States without exhibiting the defects here apprehended. But it will be found that where such a court exists the judges are elected by the people, thus reinforcing the bench at frequent intervals with members fresh from participation in the actual management of business affairs and in-spired by the public policy of the time. But the court which my associates propose to establish is to consist of judges appointed nominally for a term of years, but practically for life, for experience throughout the country has shown that a reason to throughout the country has shown that a reason to prevent reappointment must be almost, if not quite, sufficient to justify impeachment. The business enterprise and civil rights of the people, in an erathat promises to be most versatile and progressive, should not be subjected to the final judgment of gentlemen educated in a bysone generation and placed in a position where they cannot clearly apprehend or appreciate the practical spirit of the

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There are other objections to the plan proposed stil more serious. It not only provides for a court of just resort that cannot be satisfactory, but it will degrade and impair the usefulness of other courts that are of more importance in the practical administration of justice. Not one case in thirty that are tried in this State is ever taken to the court of last resort. The great volume of legal business in which the people are interested is conducted and terminated in the lower courts, and it must be conceded that the judges most capable of administering law and equity should sit in the courts where the masses of the people go to seek protection for their rights.

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I'ntil recently every important case at law, either civil or criminal, could be tried before a justice of the Supreme Court, who is ex-officio a member of every important court in the State, except the Court of Chancery, and may sit on appeals from that court. This valuable right has been much impaired by recent statutes and by judicial appointments made under a dormant provision of the Constitution. The result is public discontent and a demand for a reform of our judicial system. Until the real cause of this discontent is generally perceived it may easily be led to support unwise movements that promise relief.

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The Constitution at present expressly declares that no justice of the Supreme Court who has given an opinion in a cause in favor of or against any error complained of shall sit as a member of the court of last resort while the case is under review, or have a voice on the hearing, and this provision has always been carefully regarded. It certainly is not an act of prudent statesmanship to amend one of the most important articles of the Constitution to gratify a suspicion that has no basis in fact.

AN ART GALLERY FOR PATERSON.

Paterson, March 15 (Special).-Catholina Lambert the silk manufacturer, has announced his intention of establishing a public art gallery in this city. and he is now deliberating on the details of the proposed institution. Negotiations are in progress for a site upon which a suitable building may be erected. For many years Mr. Lambert has indulged his taste for art, and is the possessor of many valuable paintings gathered during extensive traveis. These trensures are at the Castle, Mr. Lambert's magnificent home on the Notch Road.

WILL BUILD A NEW HOME. Hasbrouck Heights, March 15.-The Hasbr

Hashrouck Heights, march the hashrouck Hashrouck Heights Club, whose house was destroyed by fire last Christmas Day, will shortly commence the erection of a handsome new clubhouse at Terrace and Passaic aves. The plans call for a building with all modern fittings and improvements. It is expected

that it will be the finest building of its kind in Be

A THREE-YEAR-OLD TRAVELLER.

TAGGED LIKE A PIECE OF BAGGAGE HE STARTS

ON A LONG TRIP. "Louis De Frame, Jersey City, to Joseph De Frame, Eighteenth and Brown sts., Sedalia, Mo.," was the inscription on a tag attached to the sleeve of a jacket worn by a three-year-old boy who last evening stood in the Pennsylvania Railroad station in Jersey City.

conductor of a Lehigh Valley train, who was in charge of the boy, explained that Louis was bound for his grandfather's home. Several brothers are already there, and as no one in Jersey City could accompany him he was tagged and placed in charge of the conductor. The little fellow appeared to enjoy the novelty of the situation. He was recently in a hospital with a broken leg, but told everybody who spoke to him last night that he felt all right.

THE GRAY-ULSTER MAN FOUND.

THE POLICE ARE NOW SATISFIED THAT THE MURDERER WORE A BLACK COAT.

Paterson, March 15.-The wearer of the gray uister, which figured so prominently in the Sullivan murder mystery, to-day came forward and satisfied the police he had nothing to do with the murder and knew nothing about it until the day after it occurred He was Joseph J. Devino, a butcher, of No. 776 Madison-ave. He says that he is the man

whom Peterson met. The police are satisfied now that the m was the man who wore a dark overcoat and derby hat and was seen by Alexander Mictell and Miss hat and was seen by Alexander Mictell and aliss
Lulu Campbell at the corner about the time the
murder was committed. Prosecutor Gourley says
he does not think the murder was committed with
the coupling-pin, and that some other instrument
was used.

The members of the murdered girl's family will
shortly remove from this city and go to Philadelphis.

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Prosecutor Gourley says he will bring other witnesses before the Coroner's jury on Wednesday evening whose evidence will go to show that the murderer was the man with the dark coat.

JERSEY CITIES AND TOWNS.

NEWARK.

The twenty-fifth year of Professor E. O. Hovey's principalship of the Newark High School will be celebrated by the High School Alumnae at the High Street Presbyterlan Church on April 10. A reception for Dr. Hovey will be held, and in the evening a banquet will be held in the Sunday-school There are about 2,000 graduates of the High School. The Mayor, presidents of Common Council and Board of Education, Head Master Farrand, of the Newark Academy, and Superintendent of Public Education will be among the guests.

The Essex County Democracy will meet on Wednesday night and probably decide whether to nominate an independent ticket for the charter election.

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Through the efforts of wharf-owners and shippers on the Passaic River, the Assembly bill, providing for closing navigable rivers to vessels for two months in the winter, while bridges are undergoing repairs, will be amended to include only rivers of a certain depth. This will leave the Passaic under the operation of the present law, which permits the closing of navigation only twenty days in the winter.

Bridget Smith, twenty-two years old, living at No. 104 Chapel-st., died suddenly yesterday. About eighteen months ago she attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the canal. Last Saturday she was taken with convulsions, but apparently recovered, until yesterday, when the convulsions returned. As examination failed to show the presence of poison. JERSEY CITY.

Congressman McEwan doubts that Congress will appropriate the money for a new Federal building in this city, and has requested the citizens to sign petitions and forward them to him. The Grand Jury will meet this afternoon. The

The Grand Jury will meet this afternoon. The murder of Superintendent Wattson by Detective Edward Clifford will be considered. Justice Lippincott will return from Trenton late in the afternoon to receive the indictments.

Fire was discovered yesterday in one of the long rows of coal chutes at the Communipaw coal whatves. It was extinguished by several of the employes. The damage was small.

John Kerr, a switchman, was run down yesterday afternoon on the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's elevated tracks near Warren-st, and was instantly killed. The body was horribly mutilated. Kerr was forty-five years old, and lived at No. 150 Steuben-st. A widow and four children survive him.

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Joseph M. Ward, a brakeman employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, fell under a train on the Hackensack Meadows Saturday night and his left arm and leg were crushed. He was removed to St. Francis's Hospital, Jersey City. Warf is twenty-nine years old, and his home is at No. 32 Chambers-st., Trenton.

Justice Nevius will try his first case in the Hud-son County Circuit Court to-day.

John Justus, twenty-six years old, living at No. 128 Adams-st., Hoboken, was arrested last night on a charge of assault and battery and suspicion of robbery. According to the story related by De-Quinn, who took the man into custody, proprietor was asleep, and stole a revolver and a watch from behind the bar. He then seized a knife and slashed the sleeping saloonkeeper on the head. Peters naturally objected and offered re-sistance. Justus fied and returned to his old haunts yesterday, when he was arrested.

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Eugene Stewart, twenty-three years old, of No. 101 Reservoir-awe, Jersey City Heights, quarrelled with a man known as Barney at 4 o'clock yesterday morning, while playing billiards in Meyer's saloon, at No. 100 Hudson-st., Hoboken, Barney seised a billiard cue and struck Stewart over the head, cutting his scalp. Stewart's wound was dressed at Police Headquarters.

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A shabbliy dressed German called at the house of William Miller, at No. 523 Garden-st., Hoboken, last evening, and requested permission to shoved snow from the sidewalk. He explained that he was hungry, and Mrs. Miller invited him in to have something to est. While the good lady stepped into the kitchen to get the German a cup of coffee, he stole two umbrellas and left the house before she returned to the dining-room.

Dr. John Max Reiner, the editor who is in fall here for alleged libelling of Mayor Rankin, will be taken to Trenton on the 7:55 train this morning by Jail Warden Blore, and will appear before Jud Van Syckel, where his lawyers will make an argument for the reduction of bail. Lawyer Lindabury, for Mayor Rankin, will also

be present and will argue, it is said, against any lessening in the amount of bail.

It is thought that if any reduction is made it will not be fixed at less than \$10,000. The present bail is

William Tettifer, thirty-four years old, and employed as an hostler in Gidney's livery-stable here, was dangerously kicked in the back by a fractious horse on Saturday night. He was removed to the Elisabeth Hospital.

William Moen, a machinist, committed suicide on Saturday night at his home, No. 418 Fulton-st., Elisabethport, by shooting himself in the head with a small rifle. The man had been on a spree for some days and was crazed with rum when he committed the deed. He leaves a wife and two children.

A thief entered a large unoccupied house at Grear-ave. and Garden-st. on Saturday and completely robbed it of all the lead pipe, brass faucets and other plumbing material. The loss amounts to \$200. The recent three days' carnival given by the Women of the Cribside Association, of Elizabeth, in aid of the General Hospital, netted the sum of \$2,154 53.

BAYONNE.

William Rapp, one of the oldest and best-known residents of the First Ward, died Saturday evening after a lingering illness at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Rodmond D. Donnell, in Avenue C. Mr. Rapp Mrs. Rodmond D. Donnell, in Avenue C. Mr. Rapp was in his sixty-fourth year and was a native of Germany. He was a charter member of independence Fire Association of Bergen Point. Besides his daughter he leaves two sons, Walter V. and William Rapp, and his granddaughter, Miss Margaret Gunderson, a New-York school teacher.

Edward Foley, janitor of Public School No. 4, was the victim of a painful accident on Saturday. While on his way to look after the fires in his school he slipped upon the ley pavement in East Fifth-st., and his right hip was fractured by the fall. He was removed to his home in Dodge-st.

GREAT SNAKES! From The Rylstone (New-South Wales) Advocate

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The wife of a well-known collector in the Narrabri district had a startling experience the other day with snakes. At different times two large brown snakes had been seen about the house and garden, but they had always managed to effect, a retreat before they could be killed. The fact that these unpiesasant neighbors were so cose caused the lady no small anxiety on behalf of her only son, a boy of four years. One day she left the boy asleen in his cot upon the veranda, and was busying herself about her household duties, when she was attracted to the hack door by a curious buzzing noise, and to her horror she saw a brown snake there standing almost straight up, waving to and fro, and giving forth the noise which had attracted her attention at first. The snake seized hold of the woman's dress, and she, being too terror-tricken to resist, was dragged forth from the house and across the yard. When they arrived at the underground tank, about 160 yards from the house, the woman saw the reason of this strange visit, for there was her little boy (he had strayed from his bed and fallen in the tank), the other snake holding him by the hat of his head, straining every muscle to keep the child from drowning until his mate brought help.